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WE GOT THE SHINY! WE GOT THE SHINY! WE GOT THE SHINY, HEY-HEY-HEY-HEY!

GOTTA SAY, BOSS-MAN-CHIEF-BIG-KAHUNA, I WAS A LITTLE DUBIOUS WHEN YOUR GET-RICH-QUICK SCHEME INVOLVED KILLER ROBOTS AND FLAME-THROWING CATS AND TINY PINK GIRLS WITH *REALLY* BIG HAMMERS...

...BUT YOU KNEW YOU NEEDED THE EXTRA MUSCLE, DIDN'T'CHA? AND I DO ENJOY A GOOD SHINY-HUNT! I COULD SEE THIS BECOMING THE START OF A BEAUTIFUL PARTNERSHIP...

...BUT ONLY IF YOU ACKNOWLEDGE ME! WHAT ARE YOU SO FOCUSED ON?!

WELCOME TO THE PLANET MOBIUS --A WORLD BEYOND WHAT YOU KNOW FROM THE **SEGA** GAMES-- WHERE THE RACE FOR THE RARE SOL EMERALDS HAS BROUGHT TEAM-BASED MAYHEM TO MOBIUS!

TREASURE TEAM TANGO

STEP THREE: THE LLEVADA

???
THAT'S A BIG BLIMP!

TRYING TO GET AWAY FROM THEM!

OH.

BEAN THE DUCK
DYNAMITE DUCK

BARK THE POLAR BEAR
SILENT STRONG-MAN

NACK THE WEASEL
NE'ER-DO-WELL

MARVELOUS QUEEN
HI-TECH RIDE

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ELSEWHERE IN THE GREAT FOREST...

THIS IS JUST MARVELOUS. WE'RE WASTING OUR TIME HERE WHILE NACK'S GANG GETS AWAY WITH MY EMERALD!

EXCUSE ME...

ROUGE THE BAT G.U.N. SPY

IT'S NOT YOUR EMERALD! IT BELONGS TO MY WORLD!

DON'T MAKE US PUT YOU DOWN AGAIN!

BLAZE THE CAT SOL EMERALD GUARDIAN

HELLO?

I HAVE NOTHING TO SAY TO YOU!

QUERY?

I'M TRYING TO HELP YOU.

SHADOW THE HEDGEHOG G.U.N. AGENT

CAN I LET THE TINY, SQUISHY ONES GO NOW? I AM AFRAID I WILL POP THEM.

I APPRECIATE THE CONCERN, MR. ROBOT.

CHEESE THE CHAO CREAM'S COMPANION

CREAM THE RABBIT POLITE GIRL

E-123 OMEGA G.U.N. ARSENAL

LISTEN UP, PEOPLE! RIGHT NOW WE'VE GOT TO WORRY ABOUT NACK GETTING AWAY!

AMY ROSE
FREEDOM FIGHTER

WE CAN EITHER TRACK THEM DOWN, OR WE CAN KEEP FIGHTING AND LOSE THE TRAIL!

FINE, WE'LL PLAY NICE.

THANK YOU FOR BEING GENTLE, MR. ROBOT!

YOU ARE TOO CUTE TO EVISCERATE.

MS. ROSE, WHAT DOES "EVISCERATE" MEAN?

I'LL... I'LL TELL YOU LATER, SO! HOW ARE ALL OF US GOING TO TRACK THOSE JERKS TOGETHER?

I HAVE JUST THE THING...

NOW THAT WE HAVE A SECOND--HOW DO YOU KNOW BLAZE?

WE MET ON A MISSION.* SHE HELPED ME COMPLETE IT AND RETURN HOME.

*SU#1.

SHE HELPED YOU AND NOW YOU'RE FIGHTING HER?

YES.

AND YOU HEARD HER SAY HER WORLD WILL FALL APART WITHOUT THE SOL EMERALDS, RIGHT?

YES.

I THOUGHT YOU WERE ONE OF THE GOOD GUYS! YOU WANT TO SAVE MOBIUS! WHY WOULDN'T YOU SAVE ALL WORLDS?

I...WILL DO WHAT I MUST. NOW LET ME GET OUR RIDE.

YOU'LL DO WHAT'S RIGHT. I KNOW IT.

SHORTLY...

ISN'T THIS A LOVELY DAY FOR A RIDE, MR. ROBOT? AND YOU'RE SO COMFY, TOO!

URGE TO MAIM: RISING.

CHAO-CHAO!

THIS IS A NICE BIKE, SHADOW, BUT WHY DO YOU HAVE IT? YOU CAN KEEP UP WITH SONIC!

G.U.N. PROTOCOL REQUIRES ONE TROOP TRANSPORT FOR EACH SQUAD!

WHICH IS WHY YOU PAINTED AND MAINTAIN IT YOURSELF, RIGHT?

I REALLY LIKE THAT BIKE.

YEAH, WELL, WE CAN'T GO TOO FAST ON THIS TERRAIN!

HEY, PRINCESS, THINK YOU COULD BLAZE US A TRAIL?

I WILL DO IT! I WILL DO IT!

Hmph!

FWOOMP!

THE POOR FOREST...

WHAT? SHE LEFT TREES STANDING.

I'M GOING AHEAD.

BLAZE, I WANT TO APOLOGIZE.

I KNOW YOUR WORLD NEEDS THE SOL EMERALDS...

THE OCEANS WILL BOIL, THE THE ISLANDS WILL SINK, AND THE SKY WILL FALL.

...I WILL ADMIT I DIDN'T KNOW THAT.

BUT MY MISSION AND WORLD COME FIRST. I WILL FIGHT YOU WITH-OUT REGRET.

THEN WHY ARE YOU TRYING SO HARD TO APOLOGIZE?

MEANWHILE...

OOH! OOH! THEY'RE DROPPING ANOTHER ONE!

EEEEW

C'MON, BABY! FASTER!

WAH-HA-HA-HA-HA! YES! AWE-SOME!

KA-BOOM!

STOP MESSING UP MY BIKE!

...FEATHER-BRAINED IDIOTS... I STOLE IT FAIR AND SQUARE...

TRY THAT AGAIN, I DARE YA! YOU'LL BLOW THE GEM TO SMITHEREENS!

AW, NERTZ...

WAUGH!

LOOKS LIKE MY SENSORS WERE RIGHT AFTER ALL!

WAVE THE SWALLOW BABYLON MECHANIC

STORM THE ALBATROSS BABYLON ENFORCER

YEAH-YEAH. YOU FOUND US SOMETHING SPECIAL.

JET THE HAWK BABYLON SPEEDSTER

SO WHY DON'T YOU BACK OFF LIKE A GOOD BOY, OR WE'LL...

JET...?

JETTISON Q. HAWKINGTON! IT IS YOU!

GAWK! BEAN?!

AND YOU BROUGHT THE WHOLE FAMILY! QUITE THE PROUD PAPA, AIN'T'CHA, JETTISON?

THAT'S NOT MY NAME! LET ME GO!

Uh... I THOUGHT THE BATTLE LORD TOOK HIM OUT...

NO SUCH LUCK.

WHERE'S YOUR WALLET? I WANNA SEE PHOTOS!

BARK? BIKE. GUN.

CAREFUL, YA BIG LUG! SHE'S A DELICATE LADY!

ALRIGHTY THEN...

...SAY "GOODNIGHT," PIGEONS.

NONE OF US ARE PIGEONS!

SNIPER! SCATTER!

DANG IT, BEAN!

YOU'LL NEVER HIT SOMETHING AS FAST AS ME!

I'VE TAGGED SONIC MORE THAN ONCE! YOU'RE NOTHIN'!

WHEE!

YOW!

SPLAT!

I GOTCHA COVERED, BOSS!

SKYOW!

QUIT WRECKING MY GEAR! JUST GRAB THE GEM AND LET'S GO!

IF THAT'LL STOP YOUR WHINING! LET'S GO, ROGUES!

I'LL PLUG YOU RIGHT BETWEEN THE TAIL-FEATHERS, YOU MANGY--

EXCUSE ME, MONSTROSITY. DO YOU HAVE THE TIME?

MOVE!

SO LONG, CHUMPS! THANKS FOR DOING THE GRUNT WORK FOR US!

MRRSFFPPBHT! BARK! YOU DRIVE!

KEEP HER STEADY... STEADY...

GOTCHA!

SKYOW!

WHAT THE--?

SKOW!

FWA-KRAKOW!

NEARBY...

BLAZE?!

※?!

OMYGOSH! WHAT HAPPENED?

I FELT SOMETHING ...REACT WITH THE EMERALD...

WILL YOU BE OKAY? DO YOU NEED TO REST?

NO...I CAN SENSE ITS LOCATION NOW...

OKAY. SHADOW, CARRY BLAZE. ROUGE, STEP ON IT. WE'VE GOT AN EMERALD TO FIND!

YES, MA'AM!

LOOKS LIKE I GOT THREE BIRDS WITH ONE STONE. HA!

AND LOOK! IT'S NOT EVEN SCRATCHED! GOTTA LOVE THESE MAGICAL WHATCHA-MACALLITS!

HEY =KOFF!= GOOD TO KNOW...

...WE'LL PICK IT OUT OF THE REMAINS! AUTO-PILOT! FULL BOMBARDMENT!

FWEEEEEEEEE

NO! NOT LIKE THIS! NOT LIKE THIS!

WOW! LOOK AT ALL OF THEM!

AND A-ONE! AND A-TWO! AND A ONE-TWO! ALL TOGETHER NOW...

KRAKA BOOOOOOM!!

DID--DID BEAN JUST...?

PERFECT! EXCEPT YOU ON THE LEFT! YOU WERE A LITTLE FLAT!

YEAH. JUST BE THANKFUL HE'S MORE ROGUE THAN ARMADA!

THAT TEARS IT! YOU CAN BACK-STAB ME, CHEAT ME, KICK ME WHILE I'M DOWN...

...BUT NOBODY TRIES TO BLOW UP MY BIKE!

YOU WANT TO RUMBLE, YOU BENT-TAILED HACK? LET'S GO!

BADDA

BADDA

BADDA!

MENACE AND MASCULINITY REAFFIRMED.

THE BABYLON ROGUES TOO? THIS JUST KEEPS GETTING BETTER...

WHO INVITED THESE GUYS?!

H-HEY, WHO'S THE CUTE PINK HEDGEHOG WITH 'EM...?

THERE'S NO TELLING WHICH ONE OF THEM HAS THE SOL EMERALD...

DOES IT REALLY MATTER?

I GUESS NOT. IF WE TEAM UP, WE CAN OUT-GUN, OUT-HIT AND OUT-SPEED THEM AND END THIS QUICKLY.

NICE PLAN, SWEETIE!

SNAP!

TEAM HUDDLE.

THE OTHER TWO GROUPS ARE NOTHING. WE STOMP THE GIRLS WHILE THEY'RE OVER-WHELMED AND SCRAM WITH THE GEM.

YOU'D BETRAY THEM TWICE IN ONE DAY?

I'M NOT LETTING THAT GEM GO! THIS IS OUR MISSION, SO GET OVER IT.

...

THEY'RE GOING TO TURN ON US, I KNOW IT!

ARE YOU SURE?

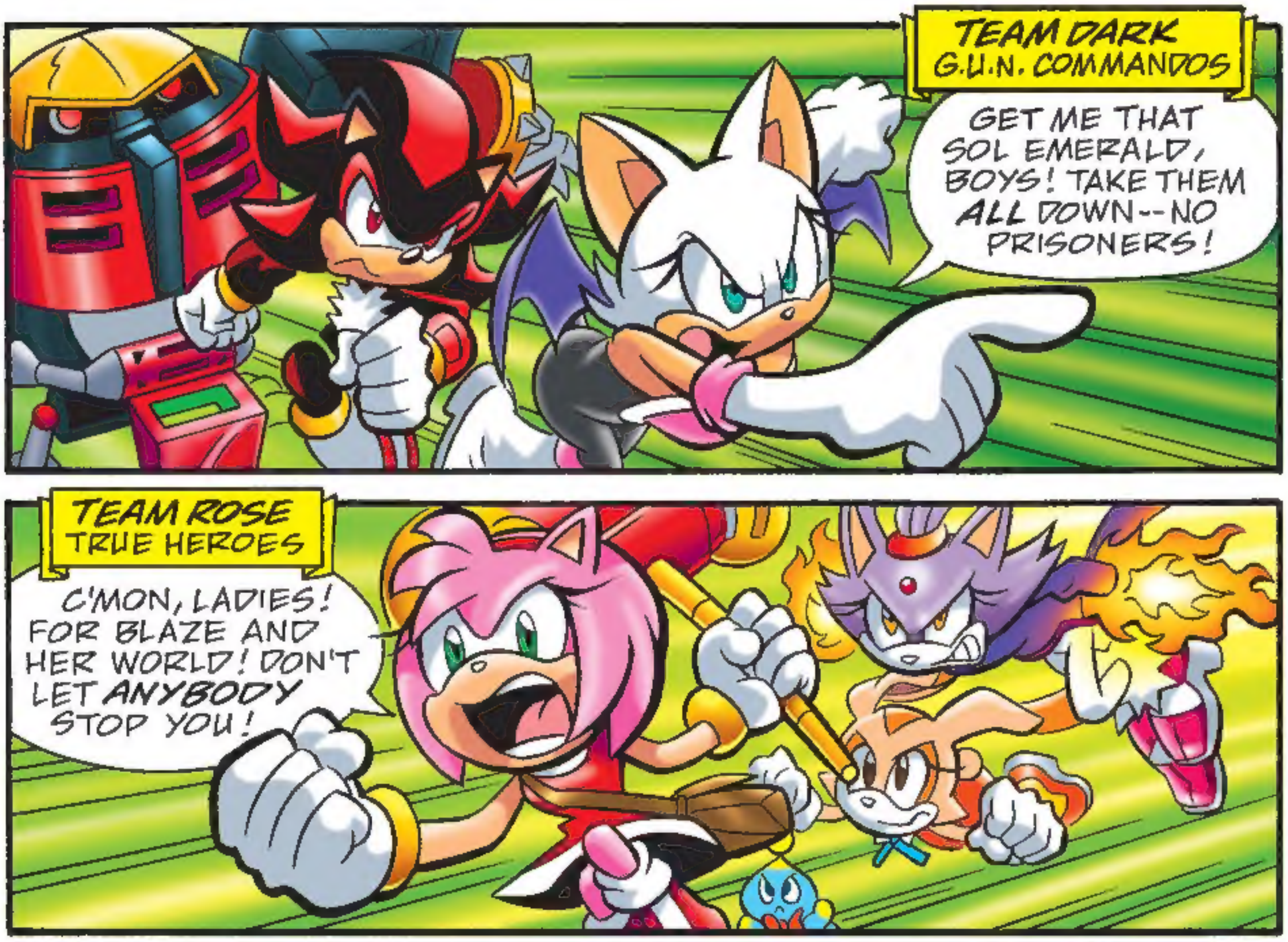
THERE'S NO DOUBT.

ORDERS, BOSS?

I MAKE BOOM NOW, YES?

OH YEAH. YOU MAKE LOTS BOOM NOW.

LEAVE 'EM IN THE DUST!


TEAM DARK
G.U.N. COMMANDOS
GET ME THAT SOL EMERALD, BOYS! TAKE THEM ALL DOWN--NO PRISONERS!
TEAM ROSE
TRUE HEROES
C'MON, LADIES! FOR BLAZE AND HER WORLD! DON'T LET ANYBODY STOP YOU!
TEAM BABYLON
THIEVING ROGUES
I DON'T CARE WHO'S WHO!
BEAT 'EM TO THE FINISH LINE AND GET THAT TREASURE, ROGUES!
TEAM HOOLIGAN
MERCENARY BANDITS
I AM SO TIRED OF THIS MESS! BEAT 'EM ALL BACK, TAKE 'EM DOWN, OR YOU DON'T GET PAID!

THIS IS IT! THE FOUR-WAY BRAWL FOR THE PRECIOUS SOL EMERALD! DON'T MISS ALL THE MAYHEM, MADNESS AND FUN AS "TREASURE TEAM TANGO" CONCLUDES NEXT TIME! UNTIL THEN, ENJOY SONIC THE HEDGEHOG, SONIC ARCHIVES AND SONIC SELECTS!

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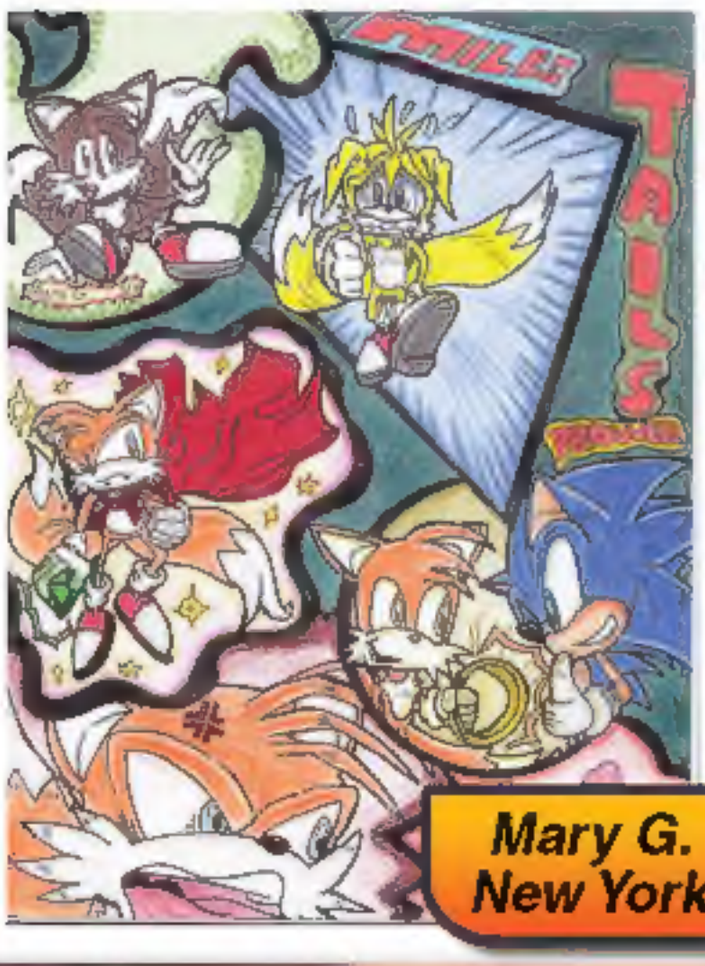

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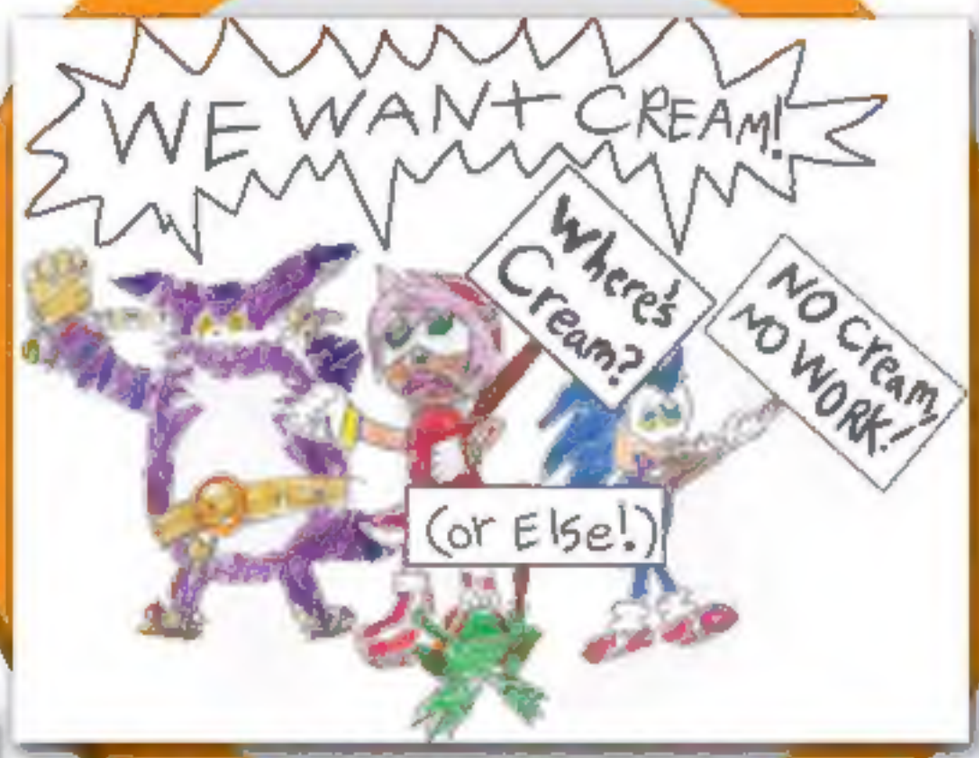

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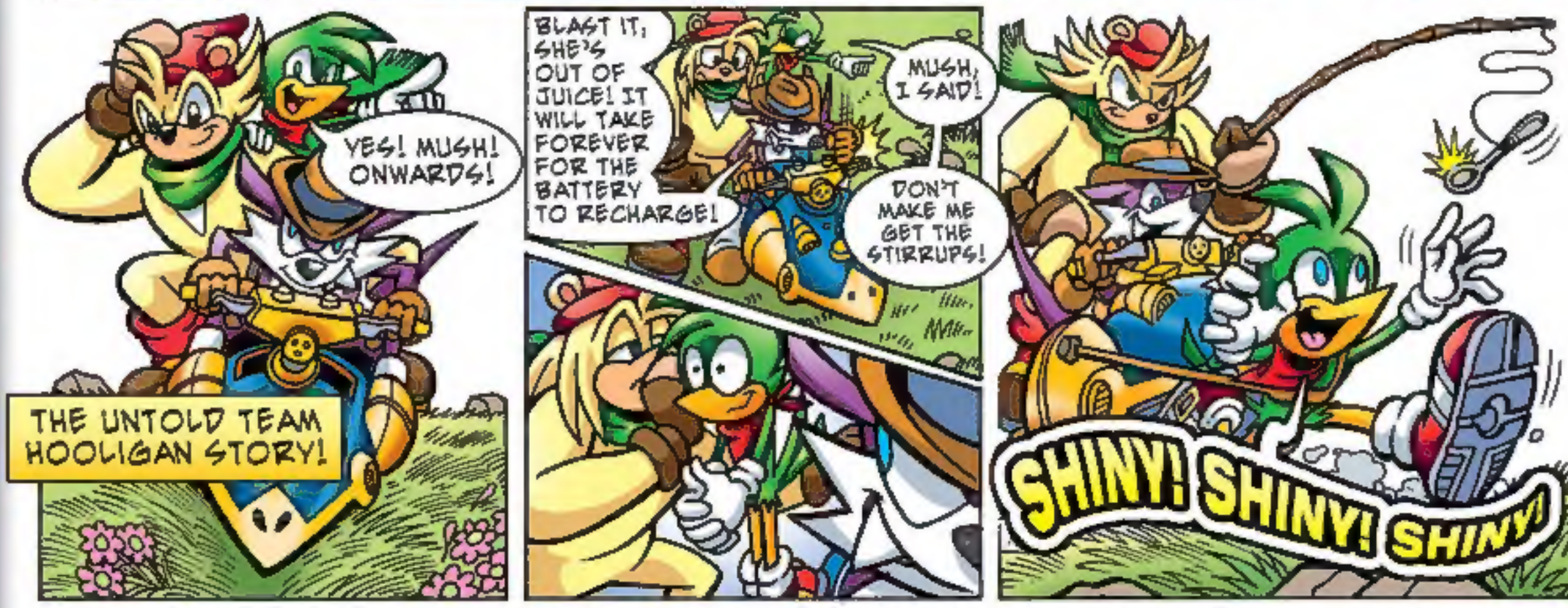
YES! MUSH! ONWARDS!
THE UNTOLD TEAM HOOLIGAN STORY!
BLAST IT, SHE'S OUT OF JUICE! IT WILL TAKE FOREVER FOR THE BATTERY TO RECHARGE!
MUSH, I SAID!
DON'T MAKE ME GET THE STIRRUPS!
SHINY! SHINY! SHINY!

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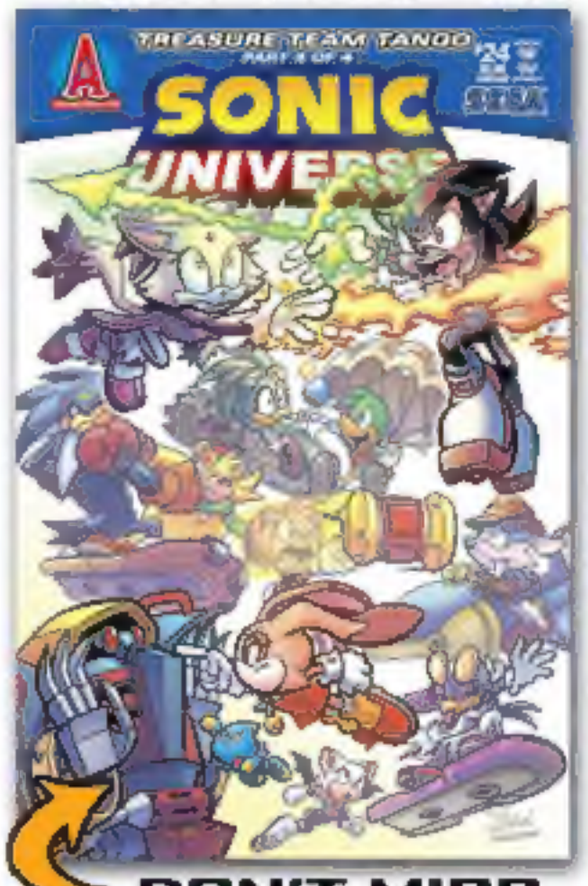

DON'T MISS:

TREASURE TEAM TANGO!

THE CONCLUSION

ALL FOUR TEAMS HAVE FORMED, THE BATTLELINES HAVE BEEN DRAWN — BUT WHO WILL END UP WITH THE SHIIIINY?

ON SALE THE WEEK OF 1/25/11!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG: 220

A TRAITOR--

REVEALED!

CAN SONIC ESCAPE THE "SPECIAL ZONE"? WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH GEOFFREY?

FIND OUT IN...

"IN SERVICE TO THE KING" pt2 (OF 2)

ON SALE THE WEEK OF 1/04/11

Dear 'My Sonic Universe',
I am writing to you guys because I am very confused and I hope that you guys might be able to shine some light on my questions.

::takes out trusty flashlight, shines it directly on letter::

I will not ask them yet--

Please hurry, this flashlight is heavy!

--because I am also writing to say "thank you" to you guys for so many victories you have had with the *Sonic the Hedgehog* comics! Also I am writing to let you know that you cannot rock due to the fact that you are not in a band.

...

Now for the questions!
1)In the game *Sonic the Hedgehog*, Silver & Blaze seem to know each other well, but in the comic books it seems that they don't know each other at all. Why is that?

The comics tell a story that is a bit different from the stories in Sonic games. Sometimes, however, we feature game adaptation stories, which JUST SO HAPPENS to be going on right now with "Sonic: Colors" in Sonic the Hedgehog #219!

2) Where might I find the Tails mini-series of Captain Super Fox-Man?

To your local comic shop's back-issue bins, with you! Can't find it at your usual store? Dial 1-888-comic-book to find another store near you!

3) What do you do when you run out of ideas when making a comic book series?

I guarantee you will NEVER see that happen with Sonic Universe or Sonic the Hedgehog!

Hope you will be able to answer these tough questions. It would be a pleasure to be able to some day make Sonic stories like you!

Sonic, Silver & Tails fan forever,
Michael M.
from Illinois

P.S. - This Christmas will mark the first full year that I've been reading Sonic & Sonic Universe!

Thanks for the letter, Michael! ::high five::

Dear 'My Sonic Universe',
Your comics are really way-past-cool! I have 100 of your "Sonic" comics and all 40 Sonic X comics!

Awesome!

Please make more issues with Speedy!

Sydney M.
from Michigan

More Speedy issues, eh? Well, you're hearing it here first, folks: Speedy WILL be back!

Dear 'My Sonic Universe',
I'm a fairly new fan and would like to know a few things.

Your "I'd like to know a few things" is my command!

1) Why is Robotnik called Eggman now?

In the comics, Dr. Robotnik died. (In Sonic Archives vol.13 - on sale now!) He was later replaced by a "Dr. Robotnik" from a different dimension, or zone. That Robotnik changed his appearance earning him the nickname "Eggman."

2) Who is the green hedgehog?

That would be Scourge, Sonic's evil doppelganger! Wouldn't it be nice to see ol' Scourgey again? ::cough::

3) Will Shadow be making any appearances soon?

As you can see, Shadow will be featured throughout the "Treasure Team Tango" arc!

Loved the cover to Sonic the Hedgehog #216!

Your friend,
Zechariah B.
from Washington

Thanks for the letter, Zech! See y'all next month!

IT'S YOUR SONIC UNIVERSE!

We want <u>your</u> input! Write & tell us what you're likin', lovin', or what's leaving you in the dust! Remember, include "My Sonic Universe" in the subject line on your letter or e-mail! It's your Sonic Universe, after all, so drop us a line!